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The following information is available on the cessation of work on the Budapest subway:

1. The rolling-stock section set up in connection with the subway has been abolished. All architects and engineers hitherto working in the subway sections of the Hungarian State Railroads (MAV) have been switched over to work on agricultural buildings in the provinces.
2. Engineer Zamor (fnu), hitherto head of the rolling-stock section, has been given another post in the development department of the MAV. 25X1
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3. Insurmountable difficulties have been encountered in driving the tunnels for the subway under the Danube. Most of the constructional machinery was supplied by the USSR and proved unsatisfactory. 25X1
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down. Every effort was made under military pressure to complete the construction of the tunnels under the Danube and the project was abandoned only when it was obvious that further progress was impossible and it was then too late to call for Western assistance.

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